

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 849 - SB 1296

February 27, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the human resource agencies to implement a Moral Kombat program for at-risk and troubled youths. The First Tennessee Human Resource Agency will provide a report including the recidivism and success rates during the statewide implementation of the program to the House of Representatives Children and Family Affairs Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$509,000 FY09-10
\$365,000 FY10-11**

Assumptions:

- The bill requires the Tennessee Human Resource Agencies to apply for grants to implement the Moral Kombat programs. It is unknown of grants that the agencies will be able to receive. The state will need to provide the funding for the first two fiscal years.
- Currently, the First Tennessee Human Resource Agency (FTHRA) offers a Moral Kombat program. The bill will expand this program statewide.
- FTHRA will need \$25,000 each of the first two years to assist in the implementation of the Moral Kombat program in the other human resource agencies and to collect and analyze data to provide an accurate summary report at the end of each fiscal year.
- Each of the eight human resource agencies that are not currently offering a Moral Kombat program will receive \$60,500 in year one and \$42,500 in year two.
- Such is estimated to increase expenditures by \$509,000 for FY09-10 and \$365,000 for FY10-11.
- The \$509,000 in FY09-10 includes: \$345,000 in operating costs, \$48,000 in training costs for facilitators, \$16,000 in training costs for program administrators, \$12,000 in annual evaluation costs, \$8,000 in annual quality assurance support, and \$80,000 in scholarship fund support.

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- The \$365,000 in FY10-11 includes: \$265,000 in operating costs, \$12,000 in annual evaluation costs, \$8,000 in annual quality assurance, and \$80,000 in scholarship fund support.
- After the first two years, the Moral Kombat programs will be self-supporting through internally generated fees from classes and by local “scholarship” fundraising activities.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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